

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A first aspect of the present invention relates to a method for low-  
5 frequency emphasizing the spectrum of a sound signal transformed in a  
frequency domain and comprising transform coefficients grouped in a number of  
blocks, in which a maximum energy for one block is calculated and a position  
index of the block with maximum energy is determined, a factor is calculated for  
each block having a position index smaller than the position index of the block  
10 with maximum energy the calculated maximum energy and the energy of the  
block, and, for each block, a gain determining from the factor is applied to the  
transform coefficients of the block. Another aspect of the invention is concerned  
with an HF coding method for coding, through a bandwidth extension scheme,  
an HF signal obtained from separation of a full-bandwidth sound signal into the  
15 HF signal and a LF signal, in which an estimation of the an HF gain is calculated  
from LPC coefficients, the energy of the HF signal is calculated, the LF signal is  
processed to produce a synthesized version of the HF signal, the energy of the  
synthesized version of the HF signal is calculated, a ratio between the energy of  
the HF signal and the energy of the synthesized version of the HF signal is  
20 calculated and expressing as an HF gain, and a difference between the  
estimation of the HF gain and the HF gain is calculated to obtain a gain  
correction. A third aspect of the invention is concerned with a method for  
producing from a decoded target signal an overlap-add target signal in a current  
frame coded according to a first coding mode. According to this method, the  
25 decoded target signal of the current frame is windowed and a left portion of the  
window is skipped. A zero-input response of a weighting filter of the previous  
frame coded according to a second coding mode is calculated and windowed so  
that the zero-input response has an amplitude monotonically decreasing to zero  
after a predetermined time period. Finally, the calculated zero-input response is  
30 added to the decoded target signal to reconstruct the overlap-add target signal.